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In re Application of:

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SECOND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for a second month extension of time for responding to the final rejection dated November 15, 2005, extending the period of response from March 15, 2006 to April 15, 2006.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1853.

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